SUBJECT No. 257.

Strengthening of the police force at Davangere.

Mr. Murigappa, Davangere Municipality.

Mr. Murigappa.—The strength of the Davangere town police may be increased as the population has increased to 17,000 according to the recent census and as it is the third town in the State. The town is also near the British frontier with a large floating population on account of its industries and trade. It was stated in the last Session of the Assembly that the strength of the police will be increased after the census of 1921. The existing strength is one Sub-Inspector, one Daffedar and 25 Constables. There are Lambanies and other sects of people living near by and thefts are of everyday occurrence.

Dewan.—Recently Government ordered that the additional force was not necessary. The Government will see what can be done in the matter.

SUBJECT No. 258.

Allotment of some *gomal* land for the cattle of Davangere town.

Mr. Murigappa, Davangere Municipality.

Mr. Murigappa.—Davangere town contains 4,223 cattle. There is no *gomal* land for this town. As this is a Municipal Town, cattle are impounded if allowed to stray. As all the lands adjoining the town are occupied, it is prayed that some of them may be converted into *gomal.*

Dewan.—Will the raiyats pay the cost of acquisition?

Mr. Narasimhiah.—How much can the raiyats pay? Since the land is required for the use of the cattle, Government should render necessary assistance in the matter.

Dewan.—The matter will be enquired into.

SUBJECT No. 259.

The widening of the gates to the east and west of the Railway Station at Davangere.

Mr. Murigappa, Davangere Municipality,

Mr. Murigappa.—The town of Davangere extends to the south of the Railway Station where bungalows and factories have sprung up. The gates to the east and west of the Railway Station are very narrow and it is very difficult for passengers and wheeled traffic to pass. The two gates may therefore be widened to facilitate traffic.

First Member of Council.—The Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway authorites will be addressed.

SUBJECT No. 260.

Abolition of the Railway Cess in the Jagalur Taluk.

Mr. Gurappa, Jagalur Taluk.

Mr. Gurappa.—The levy of Railway Cess from the raiyats of villages in the Jagalur Taluk is unjustifiable as there is no scope for them for performing a railway journey which the raiyats of other taluks possess, and as they have to travel by road more than 25 miles on all sides before they can undertake the railway journey. It is therefore prayed that the cess levied in the taluk may either be abolished or the construction of the Chitaldrug-Kottur railway line *via* Jagalur may be undertaken.

Dewan.—It is not possible to excuse one taluk in a District from the levy of Railway Cess. This may be brought the notice of the District Board.

SUBJECT No. 261.

Funds for the completion of the Town Hall building at Jagalur.

Mr. Malkappa, Jagalur Municipality.

Mr. Malkappa.—For the construction of a Town Hall building at Jagalur, the raiyats have subscribed to the extent of Rs. 3,000 and the amount is held in deposit. But the estimated cost of the building is stated to amount to Rs. 7,615. The Municipality is not in a position to pay the entire balance of Rs. 4,615. This work may therefore be completed by recovering Rs. 2,000 from the Municipa-

lity, the balance of Rs. 2,615 being met out of the general revenues.

Dewan.—An application may be made next year to the Deputy Commissioner.

Mr. J. Subba Rao.—Of the two High Schools in the Chitaldrug District (at Chitaldrug and Davangere), the one located in the district headquarter may be converted into a Collegiate High School for the convenience of the students.

Dewan.—The opening of an Entrance Class at Chitaldrug or Davangere is under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 262.

Conversion of the Chitaldrug High School into a Collegiate High School.

Mr. J. Subba Rao, Chitaldrug District Board.

Mr. Veerabhadrappa.—The witnesses and parties attending the civil and criminal courts in the town of Chitaldrug have, at present, no place to sit, and are exposed to wind, rain and sunshine. It is prayed that for their convenience, the construction of a separate waiting room may be ordered.

Dewan.—There is a list of civil buildings to be constructed and works will be taken up according to that list. I have noted this in my tour notes.

SUBJECT No. 263.

Construction of a waiting-room at Chitaldrug for witnesses and parties.

Mr. Veerabhadrappa, Chitaldrug Taluk.

HASSAN DISTRICT.

(Nos. 264 to 279.)

Mr. N. S. Nanjundaiya.—The scheme of separation of judical and executive functions may be introduced in the Hassan District without further delay.

Dewan.—The general subject has been discussed. We will try and extend the scheme in two more districts at least, if matters are favourable.

SUBJECT No. 264.

Introduction of the scheme of separation of judicial and executive functions in the Hassan District.

Messrs. N. S. Nanjundaiya, H. Boranna and K. Mahadevappa, Hassan Taluk, and H. V. Rangaswami, Hassan Town Municipality.

Mr. N. S. Nanjundaiya.—Government may be pleased to finance the scheme of water-supply to the Hassan Town as it is an imperative necessity.

Dewan.—Cannot the Municipality give some contribution?

Mr. N. S. Nanjundaiya.—It is a poor Municipality and has got no reserve fund or balance at its credit. We are prepared to give according to our present finances.

Dewan.—Urgent works will have to be taken up first and it is very difficult for the Government to take all of them at once. I shall however, investigate the matter during my tour.

SUBJECT No. 265.

Financing the scheme of water-supply to the Hassan Town.

Messrs. N. S. Nanjundaiya, H. Boranna and K. Mahadevappa, Hassan Taluk, and H. V. Rangaswami, Hassan Town Municipality.